



Section 30

A Clark County and City of Vancouver Partnership

August 27, 2003 Open House

Public Comment Summary

Attachment B

Following is a summary of the comments received at the open house. Shown in bold are the questions listed on the public comment form. The responses received are shown as bulleted items. Comments received are listed verbatim except where grammatical and spelling correction is required for understanding.

When the Subarea Plan is completed, I would call it a success if it included:

- Adequate baseball and soccer fields. A plus would be a swimming pool.
- An attraction to draw jobs and visitors into. Create an attraction as San Antonio Riverwalk or Wild Waves in Federal Way. Draw jobs and visitors into our area to spend money.
- Our area would thrive with an operation for families such as a Six Flags—Wild Waves. It is a seasonal business (strictly summer, yet a needed facility.) The Portland / Vancouver area thirsts for adventure such as this.
- On the north, east and west sides green buffers insulating surrounding homes from the light-industrial uses which I expect will dominate the site and (2) A central park rectangle which uses the “lane” as a basis for our version of Butchart Gardens.
- A recreational site: i.e: golf course, lake for recreational boating, jet skis etc. Amusement park, ball park etc. Our kids need things to do!!
- A lake where the proposed dumpsite is, a park, and higher wage, non-polluting jobs.
- If there is a soundwall built along SE 1st Street—at least west of the vineyard to NE 172nd Avenue. Green space area—as few new roads as possible and having the mining completed or an access road built for PAC Rock to go to NE 192nd Avenue rather than down SE 1st Street to NE 164th Avenue—too noisy!
- Open space, a park that might include tennis courts, pool, city/county golf course, etc. If industrial mix with open space, trees, ponds....much like Columbia Tech Center.
- Retail shopping, restaurant(s), park/recreation area, trail system, light industrial, offices, amusement park??
- A large Central Park, library, recreational area (pool etc.) as well as a variety of shops. Also many walking paths that connect the various neighborhoods.
- Job creations, group similar land uses together, limit roads by building a well thought-through system that won't require more roads as an afterthought. Open space relocation of shooting range and Harmony Sports uses.

and addressed my concern(s) about:

- Thoughtful consideration of a variety of options. Concerns of industry as well as residents were addressed.
- Traffic and noise.
- Appropriate long-term uses given the growing residential flavor of surrounding neighborhoods—i.e. transition the mining and concrete and asphalt out of here and don't drop in Ralph Gilbert's project.
- Traffic to/from Section 30. Light rail from 205 or/and Highway 14 would be a plus.
- The potential to use a portion of the site as a dump. The steep slopes are also a major issue.
- The dump.
- A focal point for the east side families. A gathering place to encourage families who live in the area to also recreate here and spend their money here.

Among the objectives for Section 30 is the generation of new employment opportunities. There are a variety of land use zones that lead to job creation. Which of the following uses would you support in Section 30? (Please check all that you support.)

Retail- 4

Office- 10

Light industrial/manufacturing- 6

Another project objective is to create a land use plan that is compatible within Section 30 and the surrounding area. What type of new development should be planned for Section 30 to meet this objective?

- Park area—things that contribute to the livability of the area.
- Clustering types of businesses together, but first and foremost, listening to the concerns of the residents!!
- Community oriented! The surrounding area (unfortunately) is not well planned—Section 30 is such a great opportunity to develop a center for the community.
- Facilities that create jobs and open space.
- I like your option #3 with center park and easy/inexpensive commercial access on periphery.
- Our own Butchart Gardens, light industry and offices to build our tax base, preservation of the Harmony Sports Complex. We don't need more retail or residential in Section 30.
- Single residential to reduce impact on schools.
- An extension of Tech Center.

Other comments:

- I am not able to attend the public meeting this evening, but wanted my ideas to be heard. I am very interested in making Section 30 a family-oriented area. A lake/park area, or even an indoor play park type of idea for children and parents would be marvelous, especially with all the rain in the winter. I am also open minded to a shopping area with book stores, children's stores, Jamba Juice, that sort of thing. We chose to live in the Vancouver Fisher's Landing area because it was an upscale, family-oriented community. Please help keep our surrounding area in sync with the original appeal.
- Moving the current location of the sports complex seems to make sense. Option 3 provided is appealing.
- Keep the dump out! Dirty dangerous and bad planning.

- It would be nice to have walking and bicycling paths going through and around Section 30. It would be nice to see the firing range relocated far from here. Its noise is obnoxious. It would be nice for the old county waste pit to be cleaned up.
- The development of this area is critical to the success of East Vancouver.
- Dump or garbage dumps need to be located in rural areas. These areas need to be defined now and not later. The land areas should be areas not suitable for homes.
- No strip malls please!

